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NORTH BENNINGTON
There will be special prayer meet-
ing at the Congregational chapel on
Wednesday and Thursday evening at
7:30 o'clock.
The ladies' missionary society of the
Congregational church will meet
with Mrs. L. B. Newton on Wednes-
day afternoon at 3 o'clock. Mrs.
Carrie H. Henry is the leader.
The boys and girls of the primary
department and Mrs. R. A. Jones
class of the Congregational church
will have a sleighride and party on
Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Let
all come to the church a little before
three o'clock on Tuesday afternoon.
The old time custom of singing
carols on Christmas eve was this
year revived and greatly enjoyed by
many shut-ins and aged who would
not otherwise have been able to hear
the Christmas message in song.
Eighteen young people sang the old
songs at twelve or more homes at
early dusk on Friday evening.

BENNINGTON BRIEFS
News of the Town and Village Told
Briefly for Busy Readers

Watch for "Graft". Adv.

Miss Edith Folland, a trained
nurse, of Albany, was at home over
Sunday.

Mrs. W. H. Burnham of Montpelier
is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Frank
E. Howe.

Miss Julia White of New York was a
Christmas guest at the home of
James H. White.

Miss Minnie Behrer of Troy was the
Christmas guest of her sister,
Mrs. C. A. Maurer.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard B. Dwyer and
family of Hoosick Falls were Christ-
mas guests of relatives.

Claude Anderson, an employe at the
General Electric works at Pitts-
field, was home for Christmas.

Miss Carolyn Clark has returned to
Bernardston, Mass., after a two weeks
vacation spent with her parents.

Miner C. Clark, who has been at
his home here for Christmas will re-
turn today to Northampton, Mass.

Mrs. Frank B. Newton and Miss
Fannie Vondette passed Christmas at
Miss Vondette's former home, Rut-
land.

Miss Elizabeth M. Morrissey, a
trained nurse of Troy is at the home
of her mother, Mrs. Margaret T. Mor-
rissey.

Misses Jessie and Edna Loomis
were the guests of Mr. and Mrs.
Leonard B. Van Surdam in Sodom on
Christmas.

Carl White, who was at the home
of his father, James H. White, for
Christmas, returned this morning to
Poughkeepsie.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold T. Tudor spent
the Christmas holidays with Mr. Tu-
dor's aunt, Mrs. William R. Morgan
on Main street.

Frank McDermott, who is employed
at the General Electric company
shops at Pittsfield, was at his home
here over Christmas.

Calvin Endress is in Hartford,
Conn., visiting his daughter, Mrs.
Percy Taylor. Mrs. Endress has been
in Hartford for some time.

Miss Lulu Prentice, Myron Prentice,
Mr. and Mrs. Alton Potter and
Sadie Winchell of Pittsfield were hol-
iday guests of Mr and Mrs. George
Prentice on Union street.

D. D. G. H. P., Roger S. Pike of
Rutland will make his official visit to
Temple chapter No. 8 R. A. M. this
evening, 27th. The "Mark" degree
will be conferred after which refresh-
ments will be served.

The primary and cradle roll depart-
ment of the Baptist Sunday school
will hold a Christmas party in their
rooms Tuesday afternoon at half past
two. All members of the department
and their parents are most cordially
invited to be present.

Miss Olena Vondette of Orange, N.
J., a trained nurse, who came to Ben-
nington to pass Christmas with her
brother, A. R. Vondette, is caring for
John B. Harte, who has been serious-
ly ill of quinsy but who is now recover-
ing.

Mrs. Thomas Norris, who was at
the home of her parents, Mr. and
Mrs. Leonard P. Van Surdam at So-
dom, returned this morning to Phila-
delphia where she is employed in the
Lanston monotype school as instruc-
tor.

"Danger on the High Seas," latest
episode of the great serial, "The
Broken Coin" relates adventures of
Kitty among the cannibals of the
South Sea Islands and aboard the
yacht of a libertine millionaire, opera
house, today. Adv.

There is to be a Christmas party at
the Y. W. C. Tuesday night for the
members and their friends. Each
one who comes is asked to bring a
present not to exceed 19 cents in
value, with her own name on a card.
The fun will be in at eight and
change every time the bell rings.

Hobart Henley and Louella Maxim
co-stars in the three part story of
movie land "The Phantom Fortune."
Young society man falls in love with
motion picture actress and rejects
heiress to marry the girl of his
choice, opera house today. Adv.

Bennington Grange will hold a
regular meeting on Wednesday even-
ing of next week when the officers
will be installed. Installation will be
followed by a "covered dish" or sur-
prise supper. Every member in at-
tendance will please furnish something
for this supper which will be served
by the following committee: Miss
Katherine Dunham, Miss Mary Rose,
Miss Mary Oakes, Mr. and Mrs. Les-
ter Barrett, Miss Jennie Burgess, Rich-
ard Cook, Ball Lyons, George Rose,
and Guy Burgess.

Have you bought your ticket yet for
the Civic League dance, Wednesday,
Dec. 29th? Yes, they will be on sale
at the door, but your buying them
there won't help the supper commit-
tee in ordering. How many tables
must be provided? How many
couples are to be fed? As this is the
first time more elaborate refresh-
ments have been served at one of
these dances, it is not known how to
plan. This dance is going to be more
fun than any every held in Library
hall. If you are to be in it and want
to be sure there'll be enough fun and
lunch to go around, do your Christ-
mas Dance shopping early and buy
the tickets from Mrs. G. B. Johnson,
Mrs. Wm. Willis, Miss Vossler or Miss
J. E. Perkins tonight or tomorrow.

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your stomach and bowels. To rouse
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tate nor gripe. Price 25c, of druggists
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NORTH BENNINGTON
Miss Davis of Troy is the guest of
Mrs. Anna M. Thomas.
Mrs. W. B. Simmons spent Christ-
mas in Petersburg with her parents.
Wayne Spencer who is employed in
Watervliet, N. Y., was at home for
Christmas.
Mrs. Minnie Parker is visiting at
the home to her parents, Mr. and Mrs.
Edwin Colvin.
Mr. and Mrs. Seth Tefft of Cam-
bridge, N. Y., are visiting their daugh-
ter, Mrs. Walter King.
Mr. and Mrs. Louis Millington spent
Christmas with Mrs. Eliza Millington
in Shaftsbury Valley.
Mr. and Mrs. Archie Crawford and
son Peter, were Christmas guests of
relatives in North Adams.
William R. Graves who has been
employed for several months on Mr.
Twitchell's farm in Shaftsbury, has
returned home.
A. S. Hathaway and family attend-
ed a family Christmas gathering of
twenty-one at Freeman Howard's in
South Shaftsbury.
Miss Francis Ranney of New York
city is the guest of her brother, E. D.
Ranney, for a week.
Mrs. Twoogood of Troy, is spending
the holiday season with her daughter,
Mrs. Henry Spencer.
Coming at the opera house 5 part
film version of Elinor Glyn's sensa-
tional novel "Three Weeks." Adv.
Bernis, Fred and Jack Simmons
visited their sister, Mrs. W. D. Wool-
son in Springfield for Christmas and
over Sunday.
Miss Ruth Loomis, who teaches in
Dalton, Mass., is spending the holiday
vacation with her parents, Mr. and
Mrs. L. M. Loomis.
Merritt Hewitt has purchased the
farm in Shaftsbury known as the Dav-
id Nile's farm, recently owned by P.
H. Connors.
Mrs. Carrie Goldsmith returned to
Boston, Mass., yesterday after pass-
ing Christmas with her mother, Mrs.
J. H. Warren.
Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Colvin and
daughter Gettrude of Arlington are
visiting Mr. Colvin's parents, Mr. and
Mrs. Edwin Colvin, through the hol-
idays.
John James and family and Edgar
Mattison's family of Riverside were
entertained at the home of Mr. and
Mrs. Richard Dwyer in Sodom, Christ-
mas day.
Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Harrington had
a large family gathering at their
home for Christmas. There were
thirty relatives present to enjoy the
contents of the Christmas tree.
The B. Y. P. U. held its annual elec-
tion of officers Sunday evening. For
president, Miss Frances Gordon; Vice
pres., Miss Mildred Hathaway; sec.,
Miss Isidore Shippa; treas., Miss
Ruth Percy and organist, Miss Dor-
othy Turner.
The home of Mr. and Mrs. F. H.
Mattison was the scene of a pleasant
gathering on Christmas day. Mr.
and Mrs. John Mattison of Benning-
ton, Mrs. Hyde Cross and family of
Hoosick Falls and Mrs. Myron Har-
rington and children of this place,
were present.
The annual business meeting of the
Baptist church will be held Thursday
evening, December 30. There will be
the usual roll call of members, re-
ports of church officers, also reports
from all organizations connected with
the church, and the election of offi-
cers for the ensuing year.

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William E. Hawks is in town from
New York for the Yuletide season.
Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Pelley spent
Christmas with relatives in Jackson-
ville.
Miss Elizabeth Coyle of Schene-
ctady spent Christmas with relatives
on Pleasant street.
Mrs. Catherine Youngs of New
York is spending the week as the
guest of her father, Martin Coyle of
Pleasant street.
Miss Florence March, who is teach-
ing at South Manchester, Conn., is
at the home of her mother, Mrs. C. B.
March, for the Christmas vacation.
The regular meeting of the Wo-
man's Home and Foreign Missionary
societies of the Methodist church will
be held at the parsonage this even-
ing.
E. E. Hart, Jr., of Springfield,
Mass., returned to that city this morn-
ing after spending Christmas with his
mother, Mrs. E. E. Hart of Main
street.
Herbert Marsden is reported seri-
ously ill at his home on Gage street
with blood poisoning. He is unable
to use one of his feet, a small wound
on which became infected.
Mrs. W. A. Austin, who has been
severely ill at her home on Weeks
street, has recovered and was able to
spend Christmas with friends in Pitts-
field. She will remain there until the
first of the year.
Both of the Christmas plays will be
rehearsed tomorrow afternoon at Li-
brary hall. The cast for the Birds
Christmas Carol will meet at 2:30.
Eight grade pupils in "Scrooge" will
meet Miss Robinson at 4 o'clock at
the hall.
About twenty relatives and friends
gathered Christmas eve at the home
of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Morse on North
Branch street in honor of Mr. and
Mrs. Leslie Beecher who were mar-
ried Wednesday evening, December
22, at the Methodist parsonage. Mr.
and Mrs. Beecher were the recipients
of many beautiful presents consisting
of china, silverware, linen and cut
glass. They also received a bed quilt
placed by the bridegroom's mother 26
years ago. The last block was put in
place just four days before she passed
away. It had been her wish that the
quilt should become the property of
her son. The quilting was done by
Mrs. Fred Dunn of South Shaftsbury.
The gift is highly prized. Mr. and
Mrs. Beecher will begin housekeep-
ing at once in the Guy Morse tenement
on Branch street which they
have recently furnished.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING
The annual meeting of the stock-
holders of the First National Bank of
Bennington Vermont will be held at
their banking rooms, on Tuesday, the
11th day of January, 1916, at 10
o'clock in the forenoon, for the elec-
tion of five directors for the ensuing
year, and for the transaction of such
before the meeting.
L. A. Graves, cashier.
Bennington, Vt., Dec. 9th, 1915.

NOTICE
Bennington County Savings Bank
The annual meeting of the corpora-
tors of the Bennington County Sav-
ings Bank will be held at the office of
said bank in its bank building in Ben-
nington, Vt., on the first Wednesday,
5th day of January, A. D. 1916 at 2
o'clock p. m., for the purpose of
electing a board of trustees for the
year ensuing and the transaction of
any other business found necessary
when met, especially to fill vacancies
in the number of corporators and to
alter and revise the by laws.
Charles H. Dewey, Secretary.
Dated at Bennington, Vt., Nov. 20,
1915.

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Fred Austin spent Christmas with
friends in Pittsfield.
Judge Edward L. Sibley, who suf-
fered a shock a week ago, is improv-
ing.
Curtis Burt of New York is visiting
his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Oliver
Burt.
William Eddington has gone to
Palmer Falls, N. Y., to pass the hol-
idays with relatives.
Mrs. Mary B. Allen passed Christ-
mas with her daughter, Mrs. Henry
Tabor in Danby.
George Warren of Rutland passed
the weekend with his mother, Mrs.
J. M. Warren.
Miss Julia Hayes has returned to
her work in Pittsfield after visiting
friends in the village.
William O'Donnell, who is attend-
ing school in Troy, is at home for
the Christmas vacation.
Miss Dorothy Carver leaves Tues-
day morning to spend several days
with friends in Rochester, N. Y.
Mrs. W. E. Bissell, who was at her
former home, Lowell, Mass., for sev-
eral days last week, has returned.
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rogers of
Lee were Yuletide guests of Mrs.
Roger's mother, Mrs. Ann Streeter.
Mr. and Mrs. Louis B. Puffer of
Troy were guests over Christmas of
Mrs. Puffer's parents, Mr. and Mrs.
Charles Reseggie.
Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Cooper and
daughter Miss Mabel Cooper left Sun-
day afternoon for New York where
they will remain a week.
Mr. and Mrs. John F. Waters of
New York arrived Saturday at their
summer home on the Pownal road
and will be in town for several days.
Miss Beniah Bates, Lewiston, Me.,
state secretary for the Maine organi-
zation of the Y. P. S. C. E., is at the
home of her parents, Judge and Mrs.
E. L. Bates.
Mr. and Mrs. Philip B. Jennings
and daughter, Elizabeth, arrived Sat-
urday from New York and are at their
Old Bennington home for the Yuletide
festivities.
Miss Anna B. Peake, who was a
Christmas guest of her brother, Fred-
erick S. Peake, returned this noon to
Albany where she is attending busi-
ness college.
O. E. Reimer of Old Bennington re-
turned from New York this morning
to spend a few days in town, his fam-
ily being at their winter home in
New Jersey.
Walter Todd, employed as chef at
the Vermont academy at Saxton's
River is spending the week as a guest
of his mother, Mrs. Agnes Todd of
Woodford Road.
Mr. and Mrs. Albert Turner, Miss
Albertine Turner and Mr. and Mrs.
Thomas B. Parker of Hoosick Falls
were Christmas guests of Mr and Mrs.
George A. Parker.
Eugene LaFortune, Jr., the small
son of Eugene LaFortune, who has
been seriously ill with pneumonia, has
recovered and able to be about for the
first time yesterday.
Frank Phillips, who is teaching at
Derby, Conn., and George Phillips,
who is attending the Yale school of
gymnastics at New Haven, are at the
home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs.
Charles G. Phillips.
John Greves Musical company pre-
sents the comedy skit, "The Honey-
moon," starring Elva Grieves at the
Harte Theatre today.—The regular
admission of ten cents will be charg-
ed.
Adv.
Benjamin Shimilintzsky, who was tak-
en suddenly ill in Searsburg several
weeks ago, and who has since been
confined to his bed, has recovered
and was able to be out for the first
time Sunday.
N. J. Morrissey, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. J.
F. McLaughlin and daughter Rita, of
Troy, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. O'Neil and
son Gerald of Hudson, N. Y., are
spending the holidays with their pa-
rents, Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Morrissey of
County street.
Several Main street business men
are suffering from wet feet due to the
storm which sent the water back
into the cellars. At the new postof-
ice Sunday was largely devoted to
pumping out the cellar. The janitors
think the eight-hour rule is a joke.
Christmas exercises are to be held
at the Methodist church next Wednes-
day. There is to be a supper for the
congregation and Sunday school, fol-
lowed by an Christmas program in
the evening. The youngsters are to
have a Christmas tree in the church
parlors in the afternoon.
On account of the inclement weath-
er Sunday the musical program and
Christmas services at the Methodist
church were poorly attended. There
has been some discussion of repeat-
ing the same next Sunday morning. If a
decision is reached announcement
will be made later in the week.
Miss Agnes Hurley is slightly ill at
her home on Safford street.
Earl Williams and Edward Moore
have returned from an unusual rabbit
hunt in Shaftsbury and Arlington.
The extraordinary feature regarding
the expedition is that last week's
Banner stated that the rabbit got
away, but after the Banner went to
press the animal was caught. Then
just to make sure, a second one was
hugged. This makes two (2) rabbits
secured. There are several other
animals left in Shaftsbury.

A CLEAN UP
OF
HOUSE COATS

About twenty-five left from the Xmas
stock, hardly any two alike, some
sizes missing altogether, so to clean
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